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### MEASLES VACCINE DISTRIBUTION

A total of more than 20 million doses of live attenuated measles virus vaccine were distributed by manufacturers from licensure in March 1963 through October 1966 (Figure 1). This total represents 19,279,941 doses officially reported through September 1966 and an estimated 948,000 for October 1966.

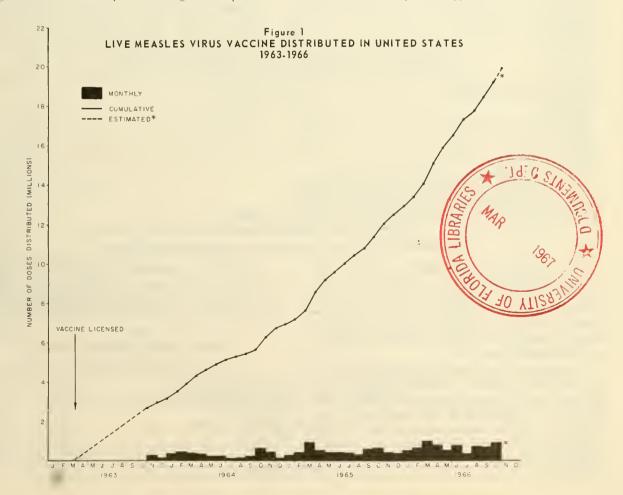
For the last 12 months for which data are available (November 1965 through October 1966), \$,069,148 doses were distributed. This represents more than twice the amount of vaccine which would be required to immunize the nearly four million children born in the United States during the same 12-month period. During the comparable

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months in 1964 and 1965, a total of 5,790,575 doses was distributed.

(Reported by the Childhood Viral Diseases Unit and the Statistics Section, Epidemiology Branch, CDC.)



### CURRENT TRENDS MEASLES - 1966

A total of 1,338 cases was reported for the week ending December 10, 1966, a decrease of 134 cases from the previous week. Seven states notified more than 50 cases each and together accounted for 54.9 percent of the total reported: Texas, Washington, Oregon, Mississippi, North Dakota, California, and Oklahoma. Through the 49th week the total number of cases for the 1966 calendar year is 199,168, which is 57,282 less than the 256,450 cases

reported for the comparable period in 1965.

The counties reporting "outbreaks" of measles through the 48th week (ending December 3) are shown in Table 1. Sixteen counties in eight states notified almost 30 percent of the United States total for that week.

(Reported by the Childhood Viral Diseases Unit, Epidemiology Branch, CDC.)

Table 1
Counties Reporting "Outbreaks" of Measles\*

State and Country	D (1.0001-)		Octob	er	November				December
State and County	Pop. (1,000's)	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3
Michigan									
Wayne	2,666	20	21	26†	10	71	16	30	35
Vebraska									
Richardson	14				8	41	18	7	
North Dakota									
McHenry	11	3	21	14		10	6	1	
Oregon									
Washington	92			10	12	69	56	65†	83
Tennessee									
Maury	42	11	9	4		25		14	24
Texas									
Brown	25			1	3		17	13	44
Galveston	140	24	59	16	9		12	2	12
Hutchinson	34			50			2	50	130
Parker	23	2	11		18		27	13	
Pecos	12			12		6	7	14	12
Red River	16	2	2			14	11	26	12
Travis	212	3	4	7	3	1	5	20	22
Vermont									
Rutland	47	25	12	14	5†	4	13	1	6
Vashington									
King	935	15	17	6	41	6	48	38	38
Snohomish	172	71	55	95	60	3	89	25†	44
Spokane	278	19	14	23	42	24	60	14	36

<sup>\*</sup>Criteria for "outbreaks:"

## EPIDEMIOLOGIC NOTES AND REPORTS - GASTROENTERITIS - Oregon

An outbreak of acute gastroenteritis occurred among 77 persons following a luncheon attended by 147 people on October 18, 1966, in Bend. Oregon. The illness was mild in severity, with only one person hospitalized because of dehydration. Chicken salad was suspected of being responsible for the outbreak; Clostridium perfringens was identified on culture.

Investigational interviews were obtained from 112 of the participants. Of these, 70 percent became ill. The symptoms among 73 patients are shown in Table 2; diarrhea and cramps predominated while vomiting was infrequent. The duration of illness ranged from one to 36 hours with a median of 10 hours. The epidemic curve revealed a range of incubation period from 6 to 24 hours with a median of 15 hours. Attack rates according to history of foods eaten failed to incriminate any single food (Table 3). The chicken salad was eaten by all but two of those interviewed. These two who did not eat the salad did not become ill, which

Toble 2
Outbreok of Gostroenteritis — Oregon
Symptoms of Potients

Symptom	Number	Percent
Diarrhea	66	90
Abdominal Cramps	62	85
Nausea	23	32
Vomiting	9	12
Headache	6	8
Dizziness	2	3

Pop. at least 1,000,000: 25 cases/week for 2 consecutive weeks.

Pop. 500,000-999,999: 20 cases/week for 2 consecutive weeks. Pop. 100,000-499,999: 15 cases/week for 2 consecutive weeks.

Pop. less than 100,000: 10 cases/week for 2 consecutive weeks.

<sup>†</sup>Organized control measures undertaken according to reports received by MMWR.

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Table 3
Outbreak of Gastraenteritis — Oregan
Faad Histories

	Pers	ons wh	o ate sp	ecified food	Persons who did not eat specified foo					
Food or beverage		Not 111	Total	Attack rate (percent)	111	Not 111	Total	Attack rate (percent)		
Chicken Salad	77	33	110	70.0	0	2	2	0		
Lemon Dessert	22	13	35	62.8	55	22	77	71.1		
Chocolate Dessert	48	22	70	68.5	29	13	42	69.0		
Milk	11	2	13	84.6	58	34	92	63.0		
Butter	51	21	72	70.8	23	15	38	60.6		
Coffee	33	19	52	63.4	9	4	13	59.2		
Tea	4	2	7	57.0	35	20	55	63.6		
Breadsticks	58	29	87	66.2	11	6	17	64.7		
Lettuce	14	13	27	51.7	14	6	20	70.0		

suggests that the salad may have been the vehicle of infection. No illness was reported among other family members of the group questioned.

The chicken salad was prepared from canned chicken which was cooked, diced, and freeze-dried prior to canning. The product is not refrigerated until after it is rehydrated. At 2:00 p.m. on October 17, two-thirds of a cup of powdered chicken broth mix was added to 24 quarts of hot water which was stirred and then cooled for 10 minutes. Twenty-four cans of chicken were opened and rehydrated when added to the broth. The mixture was allowed to stand for 15 minutes for further cooling before the broth was drained.

At 5:50 p.m., the chicken was divided into two large batches and put into two bowls that were placed in a walk-in refrigerator which has a temperature between 35° and 40°F. Hard-boiled eggs were prepared and refrigerated that same day.

On October 18 at approximately 11:00 a.m., sweet pickles, fresh diced celery and cucumbers, diced hardboiled eggs, mayonnaise, and lemon juice were mixed in with the rehydrated chicken in a large stainless steel bowl. Individual portions of the chicken salad were then placed on lettuce leaves using an ice cream scoop. The salad (Continued on page 432)

CASES OF SPECIFIED NOT!FIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES (Cumulative totals include revised and delayed reparts through previous weeks)

	49th WEER	KENDED	MEDIAN	CUMULATIVE, FIRST 49 WEEKS				
DISEASE	DECEMBER 10. 1966	DECEMBER 11, 1965	1961 — 1965	1966	1965	MED1AN 1961 — 1965		
Aseptic meningitis	52	34	38	2,833	2,033	2,041		
Brucellosis	3	8	8	227	232	376		
Diphtheria	_	2	11	182	149	275		
Encephalitis, primary:								
Arthropod-borne & unspecified	30	25		2,035	1,800			
Encephalitis, post-infectious	9	7		686	625			
Hepatitis, serum	38 73.2	614	886	1,382 30,533	31,789	40,528		
Measles (rubeola)	1,338	3,071	3.646	199,168	256,450	409,236		
Poliomyelitis, Total (including unspecified)	1	2	6	94	58	423		
Paralytic	1	2	4	89	44	362		
Nonparalytic	_	_			9			
Meningococcal infections, Total	53	47	51	3,230	2,848	2,208		
Civilian	45	46		2,917	2,646			
Military	8	1		313	202			
Rubella (German measles)	407			44,902				
Streptococcal sore throat & Scarlet fever	9,718	8,758	7,648	395,402	367,383	317,263		
Tetanus	2	7		186	266			
Tularemia	4	3		169	233			
Typhoid fever	11	10	10	363	432	515		
Typhus, tick-borne (Rky. Mt. Spotted fever).	6	_		248	260			
Rabies in Animals	64	72	72	3,798	4,051	3,557		

#### NOTIFIABLE DISEASES OF LOW FREQUENCY

	Cum.		Cum.
		Botulism:	
Leptospirosis: P.R1		Trichinosis:	
Malaria: Calif3, Ind1, Iowa-1, Ky3, NYUpS-3, Pa3	470	Rabies in Man:	1
Psittacosis: Calif1, Ohio-1			
Typhus, murine: Tex2	28	Plague:	5

# CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES FOR WEEKS ENDED

DECEMBER 10, 1966 AND DECEMBER 11, 1965 (49th WEEK)

					ENCEPHAL	ITIS				HEPATITIS	
AREA	ASEF MENIN	PTIC ICITIS	BRUCELLOSIS	Prim inclu unsp.	ding	Post- Infectious	DIPH	THER LA	Serum	Infectious	Both Types
	1966	1965	1966	1966	1965	1966	1966	1965	1966	1966	1965
UNITED STATES	52	34	3	30	25	9	-	2	38	732	614
NEW ENCLAND	3	-	-	3	2	2	-	-	2	48	28
Maine	-	-	_	_	_	_	_	-		10	8
New Hampshire Vermont		_		_	1	_	_	_		-	1
Massachusetts	1	_	-	-	_	2	_	_	2	25	10
Rhode Island	2	-	-	3	-	-	-		-	1	3
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	11	6
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	2	3 1	1 -	9	9	-	-	-	22 15	102	124
New York City New York, Up-State.	1 -	1	1	6 2	3				4	27 32	39 43
New Jersey	_	1	-	_	3	_	_	_	3	24	19
Pennsylvania	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	19	23
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	-	2	-	8	3	3	-	-	-	129	124
Ohio	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	31	30
Indiana	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	5
Illinois	_	1	-	1	1 1	2		_	-	24 39	23 53
Michigan Wisconsin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	13
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	-	6	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	51	35
Minnesota	-	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	9	17
Iowa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7
Missouri		1 -	-	_	1	_	_	-	1	30 8	2
North Dakota South Dakota	-		_							-	_
Nebraska	-	_	_	_	_	_		-	_	1	
Kansas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	9
SOUTH ATLANTIC	8	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	85	62
Delaware	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	. 8
Maryland Dist. of Columbia	1 -	_	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	16	18
Virginia	-	_		_				_	_	14	12
West Virginia	-	-	_	-	_	-	-	-	_	5	4
North Carolina	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	1
South Carolina	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3
Ceorgia	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	26	4
Florida	5	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	10	11
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	47	38
Kentucky	1	1	-	-	i :	-	-	-	-	13	12
Tennessee	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	26	12
Mississippi	-	_	-	_		_	_	-		4	5
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	12	6	1	3	2	_	_	_	2	66	45
Arkansas	-	_	1	1	1	-	-	_	_	3	5
Louisiana	1	-	_	1	-	-	-	-	2	14	6
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
Texas	11	6	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	44	34
MOUNTAIN	-	2	-	_	-	_	-	_	-	50	25
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	5
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Colorado	-	_				_		_	_	5 19	8 3
New Mexico Arizona	-	1		1 1	_	_		_		10	6
Utah	_	1	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	10	1
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PACIFIC	25	13	1	5	7	3	-	-	10	154	133
Washington	1	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	17	10
Oregon	2	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	10	21	16
California	21	11	1	4	6	1	_	_	10	115	103
Alaska Hawaii	1	_	-	_		_	_		_	1	2 2
					1						
Puerto Rico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	28	15

# CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES FOR WEEKS ENDED

DECEMBER 10, AND DECEMBER 11, 1965 (49th WEEK) - CONTINUED

		(0.)		MENINGOO	COCCAL INFE	CTIONS,		POLIOMY	POLIOMYELITIS				
AREA	MEAS	LES (Rubeo	la)		TOTAL		Tot	al al	Par	alytic	RUBELLA		
	1066	Cumula	tive	1066	Cumula	tive	1066	1075	1066	Cumulative	1066		
	1966	1966	1965	1966	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1966	1966		
UNITED STATES	1,338	199,168	256,450	53	3,230	2,848	1	2	1	89	407		
NEW ENCLAND	42	2,560	37,231	2	149	147	-	_	_	_	36		
Maine	9	294	2,919	-	12	18	-	-	-	-	8		
New Hampshire	-	80	383	-	9	9	-	-	-	-	-		
Vermont	21	344	1,407	-	4	8	-	-	-	-			
Massachusetts Rhode Island	6	831	19,374 3,957	2	62	55 18	_	-		_	6 2		
Connecticut	6	9 38	9,191	-	43	39	-	-	-	-	20		
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	67	18,480	17,361	16	428	381	-	_		1	14		
New York City	5	8,365	3,261	1	65	63	-	-	-	-	8		
New York, Up-State.	27	2,648	4,412	1	112	109	-	_	-	-	6		
New Jersey Pennsylvania	18 17	1,986   5,481	3,425 6,263	10	129 122	101 108	-	-	-	1	-		
	150				510	432				7	7.1		
Ohio	153	70,133 6,452	61,066 9,130	8 2	510 148	118	-		_	2	71 12		
Indiana	17	5,804	2,313	-	88	48		-	-	1	13		
Illinois	34	11,520	3,631	2	91	118	-	-	-	3	10		
Michigan	49	15,036	27,613	2	130	100	-	-	-	1	10		
Wisconsin	45	31,321	18,379	2	53	48	-	•	-	-	26		
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	103	9,231	17,303	1	166	137	-	-	-	1	27		
Minnesota	7 5	1,681	808	1	36	32 12	-		-	1	2 19		
Iowa	-	5,413	9,261 2,661	-	64	54	-		_	_	19		
North Dakota	63	1,374	3,995	-	11	13	_	-	_	-	5		
South Dakota	-	40	116	-	6	3	-	-	-	-	-		
Nebraska	28	185	462	-	11	10	-	-	-	-	-		
Kansas	NN	NN	NN	-	16	13	-	-	-	-	-		
SOUTH ATLANTIC	121	16,004	26,514	12	548	537	-	-	-	2	35		
Delaware	4	267	516	2	7	11	-	-	-	_	-		
Maryland	-	2,123	1,240	1	49 15	53 11		-	_		1		
Dist. of Columbia Virginia	12	2,251	4,194	1	64	71	_	_	_		3		
West Virginia	29	5,523	14,659	2	47	29	-	-	-	1	1		
North Carolina	49	670	412	5	139	112	-	-	-	-	-		
South Carolina	1	664	1,167	-	54	65	-	-	-	-	8		
Georgia	26	241	628	1	77 96	61 124	-	_	_	1	22		
Florida	26	3,875	3,571										
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	171	20,568	15,521	2	277	219	-	1	-	4	56 44		
Kentucky	25 <b>3</b> 6	4,834	3,473 8,547	1 1	96 93	86 68		-		-	12		
Tennessee	26	1,788	2,353	_	59	38	_	_	-	1	-		
Mississippi	84	1,303	1,148	-	29	27	-	1	-	3	-		
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	327	26,433	31,933	6	431	359	1	1	1	71	2		
Arkansas	12	994	1,188	1	37	18	-	-	-	1	-		
Louisiana	1	100	121	2	163	194	-	-	-	1	1 1		
Oklahoma Texas	52 262	630 24,709	233	1 2	23	21 126	1	1	1	68	2		
	74		20,709	_	94	102	_	_	-	_	12		
MOUNTAIN	74	12,571	3,894	-	5	2	_	_	_	_	7		
Idaho	14	1,690	2,985	-	5	13	-	-	-	-	1		
Wyoming	1	234	873	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-		
Colorado	22	1,429	5,957	-	49	28	-	-	-	-	-		
New Mexico	10	1,220	688	-	10	11	-	-	-	-	- 4		
Arizona	8 2	5,359	1,451	_	13	20 17	_	-	-	_	4		
Utah Nevada	10	65	225	-	5	5	_	-	-	-	-		
PACIFIC	280	23,188	28,812	6	627	534	-	_		3	154		
Washington	120	4,854	7,494	2	54	47	-	-	-	2	98		
Oregon	97	2,435	3,447	1	41	37	-	-	-		14		
California	57	15,116	13,614	3	510	424	-	-	-	1	40		
Alaska	4 2	619	205 4,052	-	18	18			_	-	1		
HIGWOLLS		107	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	1	1	1							

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# CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES FOR WEEKS ENDED

# DECEMBER 10, 1966 AND DECEMBER 11, 1965 (49th WEEK) - CONTINUED

AREA	STREPTOCOCCAL SORE THROAT & SCARLET FEVER	TETA	NUS	TULAF	REMIA	ТҮРН	HOID	TICK-	FEVER BORNE Spotted)	RABIE ANIM	
	1966	1966	Cum. 1966	1966	Cum. 1966	1966	Cum. 1966	1966	Cum. 1966	1966	Cum. 1966
UNITED STATES	9,718	2	186	4	169	11	363	6	248	64	3,798
NEW ENCLAND	1,355	_	4	_	1	_	13	_	3	_	86
Maine	84	-	_			-	-	_	} _	_	26
New Hampshire	14	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	_	30
Vermont	106	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	25
Massachusetts	176	-	2	-	1	-	9	-	1	-	4
Rhode Island	127	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Connecticut	848	-	2	-	-	-	4	-	2	-	1
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	290	-	15	-	-	3	60	2	49	4	225
New York City	12	-	5	-	_	-	25	-		-	1
New York, Up-State.	229	-	2	-	-	2	14	-	13	4	208
New Jersey Pennsylvania	NN 49	-	3 5	-	_	1	8	1 1	16 20	-	16
	979	_	21	,	22		1.0		20	,	
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	128		21 5	2	22	2 1	46 21	_	20	4	483
OhioIndiana	104	_	4	1	11	-	5		9	1 -	201
Illinois	245	_	4	1	7	1	7		11	2	74
Michigan	278	_	6	-		_	7	_	-	_	42
Wisconsin	224	-	2	-	1	-	6	-	-	1	55
VEST NORTH CENTRAL	431	-	15	_	19	_	34	_	4	24	876
Minnesota	12	-	3	-	1	-	1	-		5	208
Iowa	162	-	2	-	-	-	5	-	-	4	161
Missouri	3	-	8	-	10	-	18	-	3	3	248
North Dakota	161	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	56
South Dakota	11	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	9	114
Nebraska	3	-	1	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	28
Kansas	79	-	1	-	2	-	7	-	1	-	61
OUTH ATLANTIC	920	1	36	1	14	3	70	4	114	12	491
Delaware	13	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-
Maryland	115	-	3	1	4	-	12	I	27	-	3
Dist. of Columbia		-		-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Virginia	232	-	6	-	2	-	16	-	31	6	248
West Virginia	255 25	-	4	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	59
North Carolina	94	_	2	-	3	2	6 15		27	Ī.	4
South Carolina	6		8	-	3	-	4	3	5 22	4	106
Ceorgia Florida	180	1	13	_	J	1	13	3	- 22	1	106
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL Kentucky	1,459	-	26	-	24	2	46 10		43	13 1	492 117
Tennessee	1,073	_	7		14	2	24	_	25	12	333
Alabama	169	-	8	-	4	-	6	_	7	- 12	20
Mississippi	17	-	9	-	4	_	6	_	2	-	22
EST SOUTH CENTRAL	870	_	45	1	74	1	35	-	10	6	742
Arkansas	6	-	4	_	56	-	4	_	2	-	82
Louisiana	3	-	12	_	4	_	10	_		1	53
Oklahoma	60	-	3	-	7	1	10	-	7		182
Texas	801	-	26	1	7	-	11	-	1	5	425
OUNTAIN	1,763	-	2	-	12	-	16	-	4	-	96
Montana	63	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	7
Idaho	188	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wyoming	93	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	1	-	-
Colorado	824	-	2	-	-	-	3	-	2	-	18
New Mexico	249	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	17
Arizona	194	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	-	-	42
Utah Nevada	145	-	-	-	2	-	5 1	-	-	-	3
PACIFIC	1,651	1	22	-	3	-	43	-	1	1	307
Washington	379	-	- 1	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	15
Oregon	67	- 1	1	-	- 2	•	I	-		-	4
California	1,129	1 -	21	-	3	•	27	-	I	1	288
Hawaii	49						2		-	_	
Puerto Rico											-
	3	1	54	_	-	-	18	_	-	1	19

Week No.

# DEATHS IN 122 UNITED STATES CITIES FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 10, 1966

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(By place of occurrence and week of filing certificate. Excludes fetal deaths)

()			e and week	01 1111	ng certificate. Excludes				
	All Ca	uses	Pneumonia	Under		All Ca	uses	Pneumonia	Under
Area	A11	65 years	and	l year	Area	All	65 years	and	1 year
	Ages	and over	Influenza All Ages	All Causes		Ages	and over	Influenza All Ages	All Causes
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NEW ENGLAND:	752	458	26	42	SOUTH ATLANTIC:	1,222	617	51	53
Boston, Mass	256	146	7	16	Atlanta, Ga	144	72	9	4
Bridgeport, Conn	41	31	2	-	Baltimore, Md	225	97	4	10
Cambridge, Mass	28	22	-	-	Charlotte, N. C	53	24	1	2
Fall River, Mass	27	17		3	Jacksonville, Fla	94	36	3	4
Hartford, Conn	65	30	3	6	Miami, Fla	100	54	1	6
Lowell, Mass	39	27	3	1	Norfolk, Va	53	28	2	4
Lynn, Mass	20	13	1	1	Richmond, Va	91	53	3	6
New Bedford, Mass	23 51	13 2 <b>6</b>	2	5	Savannah, Ga	27	14 70	3	2
New Haven, Conn	45	31	-	1	St. Petersburg, Fla Tampa, Fla	89 109	62	17	1 5
Providence, R. I Somerville, Mass	18	9	_	2	Washington, D. C	185	80	4	9
Springfield, Mass	52	33	6	1	Wilmington, Del	52	27	1	_
Waterbury, Conn	41	28	_	3	""""			Î	
Worcester, Mass	46	32	2	3	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:	689	350	32	47
ŕ					Birmingham, Ala	93	42	3	2
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:	3,389	1,970	131	153	Chattanooga, Tenn	47	32	4	2
Albany, N. Y	61	34	1	2	Knoxville, Tenn	54	41	6	2
Allentown, Pa	30	16	1	1	Louisville, Ky	152	88	4	7
Buffalo, N. Y	159	90	6	7	Memphis, Tenn	161	73	3	23
Camden, N. J	32 36	18 21	2 2	- 1	Mobile, Ala	50	23	-	4
Elizabeth, N. J	48	30	1	1	Montgomery, Ala	43	19	4	2
Erie, Pa Jersey City, N. J	53	34	4	4	Nashville, Tenn	89	32	8	5
Newark, N. J	98	49	10	6	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:	1,116	562	32	92
New York City, N. Y	1,758	1,033	64	73	Austin, Tex	32	18	1	1
Paterson, N. J	52	33	1	2	Baton Rouge, La	24	13	î	2
Philadelphia, Pa	482	271	11	26	Corpus Christi, Tex	19	6	_	2
Pittsburgh, Pa	199	100	1	12	Dallas, Tex	151	70	2	9
Reading, Pa	66	46	6	2	El Paso, Tex	25	11	1	-
Rochester, N. Y	109	69	6	6	Fort Worth, Tex	96	53	1	10
Schenectady, N. Y	30	14	4		Houston, Tex	205	97	4	15
Scranton, Pa	30	21	1	1	Little Rock, Ark	61	34	3	3
Syracuse, N. Y	59	35	2	6	New Orleans, La	180	86	11	22
Trenton, N. J	21	10	1	3	Oklahoma City, Okla	97	50	3	7
Utica, N. Y	21	16	4	- ;	San Antonio, Tex	106	59	2	9
Yonkers, N. Y	45	30	3	1	Shreveport, La	61	31	2	7
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:	2,820	1,609	85	159	Tulsa, Okla	59	34	1	5
Akron, Ohio	68	41	-	5	MOUNTAIN:	409	231	24	18
Canton, Ohio	37	19	1	1	Albuquerque, N. Mex	36	20	4	2
Chicago, Ill	787	438	34	46	Colorado Springs, Colo.	24	15	3	2
Cincinnati, Ohio	183	99	2	8	Denver, Colo	96	51	2	4
Cleveland, Ohio	228	139	2	9	Ogden, Utah	8	5	1	-
Columbus, Ohio	143	78	3	9	Phoenix, Ariz	123	69	8	6
Dayten, Ohio	97	55	2	4	Pueblo, Colo	20	16	1	-
Detroit, Mich	379	193	10	27	Salt Lake City, Utah	51	28	1	1
Evansville, Ind	47	31	1	4	Tucson, Ariz	51	27	4	3
Flint, Mich	55	30	4	5	PACIFIC:	1 000	, ,,,		0.0
Fort Wayne, Ind	51	32	4	2 2	PACIFIC:	1,832	1,113	51	88
Gary, IndGrand Rapids, Mich	42 64	20 47	3 2	2	Berkeley, Calif Fresno, Calif	28 40	21	- 4	3
Indianapolis, Ind	164	87	3	12	Glendale, Calif	43	16 31	1 1	6
Madison, Wis	40	23		-	Honolulu, Hawaii	37	19	1	2
Milwaukee, Wis	146	85	4	9	Long Beach, Calif	64	44	4	4
Peoria, Ill	48	28		3	Los Angeles, Calif	681	438	11	26
Rockford, Ill	32	18	2	2	Oakland, Calif	94	49	5	6
South Bend, Ind	37	28	5	- 1	Pasadena, Calif	44	36	-	-
Toledo, Ohio	110	72	3	6	Portland, Oreg	126	78	3	5
Youngstown, Ohio	62	46	-	3	Sacramento, Calif	75	45	1	2
					San Diego, Calif	99	48	5	15
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:	887	527	30	47	San Francisco, Calif	188	109	4	5
Des Moines, Iowa	63	45	3	2	San Jose, Calif	40	18	2	1
Duluth, Minn	27	12	- //	-	Seattle, Wash	191	110	8	11
Kansas City, Kans	44 126	26 74	4	6	Spokane, Wash Tacoma, Wash	45	32	2	1
Kansas City, Mo Lincoln, Nebr	26	18	-	2	racoma, wash.	37	19	1	-
Minneapolis, Minn	141	84	3	8	Total	13,116	7,437	462	699
Omaha, Nebr	61	33	1	3		15,110	1 /,43/	402	059
St. Louis, Mo	237	141	9	8	Cur	mulative To	tals		
St. Paul, Minn	77	46	2	5	including report			revious we	eks
Wichita, Kans	85	48	4	7			•		
					All Causes, All Ages				
					All Causes, Age 65 and				
					Pneumonia and Influenza				
					All Causes, Under 1 Year	r of Age		32,76	3



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was not refrigerated again before the 1:00 p.m. luncheon.

The chicken salad was found to be contaminated with Clostridium perfringens with anaerobic colony counts of 60,000/gram and 11,400/gram on two occasions. The organism has not yet been typed with Hobbs' sera. The lot number of the cans used to make the chicken salad could not be determined. However, the two remaining sealed cans of dehydrated chicken which had different lot numbers but were taken from the same shipment were cultured and found to be negative. Other foods served were cultured and also were negative.

On Saturday, October 15, a similar luncheon was served to a large group of people in Oregon. The chicken salad was prepared in the same manner but on the same day as the luncheon. Salad not eaten at lunch was served to a small group for dinner. There was no leftover chicken salad. No reported illness followed the Saturday luncheon or dinner.

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# Editorial Nate:

In the first well-documented report of *Clostridium* perfringens (C. welchii) food poisoning in the United States, which was published in 1945, chicken was incriminated as the source of the contamination. Since then, poultry frequently has been implicated on epidemiological grounds as the cause of outbreaks. In addition, C. perfringens has been isolated from poultry in different food surveys. 2,3

This report of the Oregon luncheon offers presumptive evidence of *C. perfringens* food poisoning. Supporting this are the classical food preparation history, the typical epidemic curve, clinical features, incubation period, and the isolation of *C. perfringens* from the chicken salad despite the relatively low anaerobic colony counts. The food histories indicated the chicken salad as a possible vehicle of infection although too small a number of people did not eat the salad to provide definitive evidence. Considering the ubiquity of this organism, it would have been desirable to obtain *C. perfringens* isolates not only from stools of the patients, and test them for specific serotypes.

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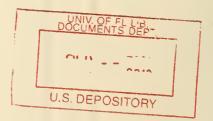
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